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TO: ALL IDAHO HOSPITALS

ALL CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS IN IDAHO

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Bureau of Facility Standards

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF SURVEY AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES IN

OBTAINING INFORMATION FOR CIVIL RIGHTS CLEARANCES FOR

INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS AND CHANGES OF OWNERSHIP

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The purpose of this letter is to distribute copies of the enclosed information from CMS to all Idaho Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals.

If you have any questions, please contact Sylvia Creswell, Supervisor of Non Long Term Care at 208/334-6626.

[original signed by Debby Ransom & on file at the Bureau of Facility Standards]

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cc: Idaho Hospital Association